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Joy Hall to Aubrey Hall, 6 February 1930

Yundurup
West Murray
via Pinjarra
Feb 6th 1930¹

Dear Aubrey

I noticed an advertisement in today's paper & just put it in in case you have not seen it. In Margaret's letter to Loulou she said you had just left for Marron station & expect you will be back by this.

I had a letter from Ernest, it seems very dull up there as to trade. I wonder if he could afford to get a vessel & run produce & sheep between Carnarvon & Fremantle. It seems as if there is money in it. The *Kybra* is not regular enough.

I had a letter from Theo Hassell, her wedding is near, she said her Aunt Georgia had her house burnt & everything in it, no clothes except what they had on. The girls had just motored in to Tambellup & the boys were some distance from the house, when it all happened, I don't know where Georgia was. It makes one feel so sick to think of the old commissions & other papers gone to ashes. The pistols I trust are still in Cottesloe & wasn't it providential seemingly, I left the silhouette in Allen Muir's fire proof safe? I suggested to her placing relics in the museum even if only on loan, but she ignored it, now no one benefits. You can't beat the South for fires!

The [?Warden] Cliftons asked us to call on the Champions who have just settled here. They were at [?Gawlers] & one time he was in the nor' West, buying sheep, knew Sherlock Station, but probably you did not come across him.

Much love & the best of luck

From your sister

¹ The final digit of the date could be read as either zero or one; the postmark on the envelope is 1930.

Joy M C

Ger is miles ahead of anything he has been for years, hope it will last
& if so wish he would turn his hand to making some money

Just had a very kind letter from sister Madeleine at Parkerville, telling
me how sorry she was that Loulou had been frightened & that she had
not heard about it, as she was away. Anyway she said everyone had
been alarmed & most uncomfortable about the raids & mysterious
visitants, that she thought it would be safe now, as the police were
keeping an eye on the place, as well on their own men. The Gillams
are still here for another month.

Yours in [?exile]

J M C

Eric came for a weekend, which the girls did not enjoy.